

to the following John Ehret High School students who represent the future leaders of Louisiana and our nation: Crystal Baum, Jeremy Beasley, Keshawn Chopin, Hong Dao, Cara Davis, Heather Deese, Sherryl Escondo, Anita George, True Ho, Courtney Joseph, Maher Judeh, Bridgette Lai, Scott Le, Marquis O'sirio, Matthew Potter, Jason Pryor, Clark Regas, Ray Rivarde, Katie Roberts, Ronald Singleton, Danielle Smith, Torea Torry, Lisa Tran, Stacy Wing, and Byron Young.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 12:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House insists upon its amendment to the bill (S. 1372) to reauthorize the Export-Import Bank of the United States, and asks a conference with the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon; and appoints the following Members as the managers of the conference on the part of the House:

From the Committee on Financial Services, for consideration of the Senate bill and the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. OXLEY, Mr. BEREUTER, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California, Mr. LAFALCE, and Mr. SANDERS.

From the Committee on Government Reform, for consideration of section 7 of the Senate bill, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. HORN, and Mr. WAXMAN.

The message further announced that the House has passed the following bill, which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2604. An act to authorize the United States to participate in and contribute to the seventh replenishment of the resources of the Asian Development Fund and the fifth replenishment of the resources of the International Fund for Agricultural Development, and to set forth additional policies of the United States towards the African Development Bank, the Asian Development Fund, the Asian Development Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank, and the European

Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

At 3:02 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment to the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2646) to provide for the continuation of agricultural programs through fiscal year 2011.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 2604. An act to authorize the United States to participate in and contribute to the seventh replenishment of the resources of the Asian Development Fund and the fifth replenishment of the resources of the International Fund for Agricultural Development, and to set forth additional policies of the United States towards the African Development Bank, the Asian Development Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank, and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment and with a preamble:

S. Res. 255: A resolution to designate the week beginning May 5, 2002, as "National Correctional Officers and Employees Week."

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment:

S. 1644: A bill to further the protection and recognition of veterans' memorials, and for other purposes.

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment:

S. 2431: A bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to ensure that chaplains killed in the line of duty receive public safety officer death benefits.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LEAHY for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Julia Smith Gibbons, of Tennessee, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit.

Leonard E. Davis, of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Texas.

Andrew S. Hanen, of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas.

Samuel H. Mays, Jr., of Tennessee, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee.

Thomas M. Rose, of Ohio, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio.

Paul G. Cassell, of Utah, to be United States District Judge for the District of Utah.

Steven M. Biskupic, of Wisconsin, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Wisconsin for the term of four years.

James E. McMahon, of South Dakota, to be United States Attorney for the District of South Dakota for the term of four years.

Jan Paul Miller, of Illinois, to be United States Attorney for the Central District of Illinois for the term of four years.

Walter Robert Bradley, of Kansas, to be United States Marshal for the District of Kansas for the term of four years.

Randy Paul Ely, of Texas, to be United States Marshal for the Northern District of Texas for the term of four years.

William P. Kruziki, of Wisconsin, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Wisconsin for the term of four years.

Stephen Robert Monier, of New Hampshire, to be United States Marshal for the District of New Hampshire for the term of four years.

Gary Edward Shovlin, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania for the term of four years.

By Mr. KENNEDY for the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

*Elias Adam Zerhouni, of Maryland, to be Director of the National Institutes of Health.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. ROBERTS (for himself and Mr. BROWNBACK):

S. 2440. A bill to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs medical and regional office center in Wichita, Kansas, as the "Robert J. Dole Department of Veterans Affairs Medical and Regional Office Center"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. SPECTER:

S. 2441. A bill to provide all prisoners with an opportunity to present exculpatory DNA evidence, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SPECTER:

S. 2442. A bill to ensure that indigent death penalty defendants in State courts receive adequate legal representation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SPECTER:

S. 2443. A bill to ensure that death penalty defendants have a true opportunity to have their cases considered by the courts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KENNEDY (for himself, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HELMS,

Mr. EDWARDS, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr.

DEWINE, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. HAGEL, Mr.

GRAHAM, and Mrs. CLINTON):

S. 2444. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to improve the administration and enforcement of the immigration laws, to enhance the security of the United States, and to establish the Office of Children's Services within the Department of Justice, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KENNEDY (for himself and Mrs. HUTCHISON):

S. 2445. A bill to establish a program to promote child literacy by making books